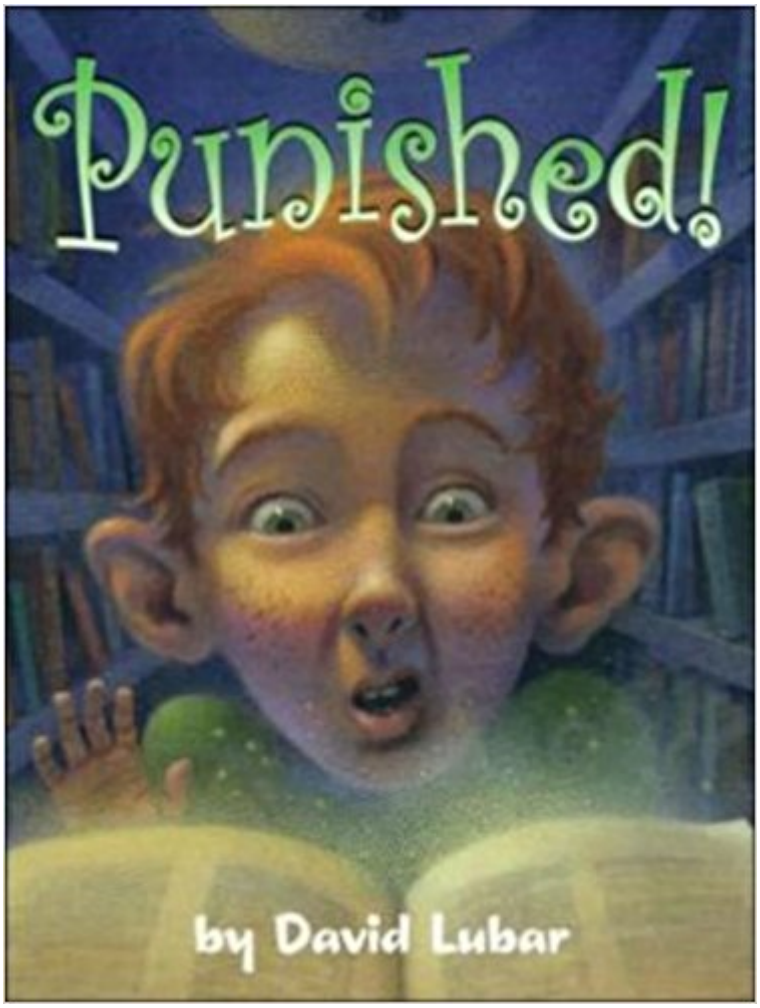
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Punished! (Darby Creek Exceptional Titles)



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Synopsis

Logan and his friend Benedict run into the wrong guy at the library--literally. When Logan slams into the reference guy in the basement and gives hima little lip, Logan gets punished, really and truly punished. He has three days to complete three tasks before Professor Wordsworth will lift the magical punishment that keeps getting Logan in even more trouble.

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Age Range: 8 - 10 years

Grade Level: 3 - 5

Customer Reviews

Grade 3-5 Logan knows he shouldn't have been playing tag in the library reference stacks and he's sorry that he crashed into Professor Wordsworth. But what did the strange old man mean when he said that Logan should be punished? Suddenly, the boy starts speaking in puns really awful puns and he can't stop. His family and friends think he's just smarting off, but Logan quickly realizes that he is under a curse. According to the professor, there is only one way to break the spell. Logan has three days to collect seven oxymorons, seven anagrams, and seven palindromes or the pun-ishment will continue forever. This lighthearted fantasy would be an excellent classroom read-aloud. The language concepts are deftly explained and the clever, wordplay-filled dialogue provides numerous examples. There is an emphasis on problem-solving and self-reliance as well. Logan uses the dictionary and experiments with ScrabbleÃ¢â Â¢ tiles as he races against the

clock to find the required answers. The short text and lively cover art will attract young readers, who will howl at the atrocious puns and repeat them at the earliest opportunity. Be prepared for an epidemic of juvenile punsters. Elaine E. Knight, Lincoln Elementary Schools, IL Copyright Ã Â© Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

Gr. 4-7. Wordplay is at the heart of this funny, surreal adventure in which even the title is a pun. While roughhousing at the library with his friend Benedict, Logan literally runs into an elderly patron, who, as a punishment, saddles Logan with an unusual curse: everything he tries to say comes out as a pun. After a day in which even his dog groans at his tedious jokes, Logan is desperate to lift the curse. The cure, according to the elderly spell caster, involves more wordplay: Logan must hunt down examples of oxymorons, anagrams, and palindromes. Younger kids may need help with a few of the more sophisticated puns ("I was jest doing wit you asked"), but with an appealing mix of magic and silliness, Lubar captures Logan’s frustrations when he is unjustly accused of disobedience, his urgency to solve his dilemma, and the linguistic fun: "I realized I had two palindromes living at home . . . Mom and Dad." Teachers will find plenty of uses for this. Gillian EngbergCopyright Ã Â© American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

For readers 4-6 grades, different forms of communication in a fairly interesting story. The Boy is punished with speaking in puns when he runs into a old man visiting the library.

Punished! is an excellent book for a preteen that makes learning about puns, oxymorons, anagrams, and palindromes exceedingly fun! I highly recommend this book (and Lubar’s Numbed! as well) for anyone (preteen to grandparent) that’s interested in creative word play.

Good book. Everyone should read it.

Purchased for my 11 year old daughter for a summer reading challenge for school, this was a quick and fun book that she liked quite a bit. It has an 3rd grade AR level, but it is easily a fun read book for older kids.

Great way for kids to learn about anagrams, palindromes, etc. Fast moving and keeps your interest.

Our 11 year old LOVED it.

My son liked the book

This book is great for teaching figurative language. The kids really enjoyed it! Highly recommended for students in grade 4 and 5.

I used this book for a quick read aloud with my class. This book introduces figurative language in a fun way and my kids seemed to enjoy it. It is for quick and easy reading for younger students.

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